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### Dear Stan Pelease 2001/911/229 CPA RDP8 0B0954R002700250001-9 8 November 1977

It was great seeing you and Pat at St. John's and recalling our service together in years gone by. What a coincidence too that you and she had just been looking on Saturday at a slide of the two of us, taken in the DesFlot Six days!

It was generous of you to take the time from your hectic schedule to come to our Forum at St. John's and let us have the benefit of your well-considered and reassuring thoughts and feelings on the knotty issue of ethics in the Intelligence Community. It was a splendidly conceived and delivered presentation of a complex and controversial subject, and your skillful fielding of tough questions was impressive and educational to the members of the parish, many of whom I am sure have never had the chance to hear a lucid and convincing discussion of the issues from an authoritative source.

Thank you too for your kind public comments on our professional association -- I was pleased to know that I may have passed along some useful information about the Intelligence Community as it was constituted in those days. I've certainly seen changes since then -- happily, many of them very much for the better.

I was on the verge of writing you when you were still in Naples last winter, shortly before you were appointed as DCI. I was at the time drafting a proposal for a company with which I was then associated, dealing with subjects in the same general context of your first-rate article in Foreign Affairs. It occurred to me that you might be interested in knowing what I was doing at the time your article appeared to try to stimulate analysis of some problems similar to the ones you identified concerning tradeoffs in the relative strengths and weaknesses of the U.S and Soviet Fleets in the global context. As it turned out, nothing came of my suggestion -- but I am now caught up in a very alive and exciting project that is not entirely unrelated: the preparation of tactical manuals of the NWP 65 series -- a worthy objective that is long overdue and most challenging to formulate correctly and professionally.

It is reassuring to know that the Agency, where I spent six interesting and productive years, is in good hands. I know Bill Colby well, dating from his days as (where I was Naval Attaché, 1960-62). Later on, I had the chance to see something of various DCIs and other top agency people from within the Office of Strategic Research from 1966-72 -- and I value my experience and professional associations of those days very highly indeed.

Peggy joins me in sending our best personal regards to you and Pat and the family.

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SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH LAFAYETTE SQUARE WASHINGTON, D. C. 20005

November 8, 1977

Dear Admiral and Mrs. Turner,

A quick note to thank you both for coming to St. John's last Sunday -- you, Admiral Turner, for your first-rate talk, and you, Mrs. Turner, for being the Admiral's lady. It was so good of you both to spend this time with us and I personally am very grateful.

I hope so much that you will come back to worship with us. You are very much welcome, both by me and by the members of St. John's Parish.

Cordially,

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John C. Harper

Admiral and Mrs. Stansfield Turner c/o The Central Intelligence Agency McLean, Virginia 20505

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J. ROBERT MacNAUGHTON Partner

November 8, 1977

Mr. Stansfield Turner Director Central Intelligence Agency McLean, VA 22101

Dear Mr. Turner:

All of us enjoyed having you with us at St. John's last Sunday. I thought your presentation was excellent and your answers to the questions were very clear and well put.

The American public can be very proud of you.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

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## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH LAFAYETTE SQUARE WASHINGTON, D. C. 20005

THE REVEREND JOHN C. HARPER, D.D., RECTOR

November 7, 1977

Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN Director of Central Intelligence Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

On behalf of the Forum of St. John's, let me thank you once again for your superb discussion of "Ethics in the Intelligence Community." Your candor was universally well received. Many parishoners made a point to tell me afterward how surprised and pleased they were at your frankness and how valuable your remarks were in dispelling misconceptions they have had.

Your time and effort will be long remembered by the Forum. You contributed significantly toward restoring public confidence in the vital processes of intelligence.

Sincerely,

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I. Time on Ethics of Intelligence

No condusions

- Happy talk Church group

Sure shared delemnas

Ethical issue intell officer faces not unique

- E. G. Military

Commandment -

Kill in name preventing tyranny

Or - policeman

Accepts possibility of killing

- II. In Intell Commandments wrestle

  Bear falsewitness
  - (1) things do recruit spies spies since biblical times probably indefinitely

How get person commit treason - risk life?

- (1) May come to you ideologically convinced
- (2) Process persuasion may exaggerate just
  a bit may stretch facts may lie
  When have a spy working for you may not be sure at first he's really
  yours -

Double agent infamous

May not be safe to tell him truth might compromise other activities

(3) Another they do with a spy - appeal avarice, greed -

Bribe - Covet

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2 Examples - intell profession Make you nervous - ?
 Intell & lies ? bribes
 More so than soldiers & killing?
 Hope so -

Why? Because possibility abuse seems greater
With it risk to our institutions

Issue Intell Officer faces -

How does go about getting job done yet ensure does not abuse role

- Military have civilian control
- Police have elected officials & judges
- We have lots controls also -

#### III. Self Control

- Ensure conscious not black/white
- Attempting write ethicscode
- Instant in rebuke
- Initiative in searching
- IV. Regulation Law Wiretap/Assassination
- V. Oversight
  - (1) Personal interest of President/VP
  - (2) Senate Select Committee
    - relations with IC are close and excellent
  - (3) New House Committee
    - benefits of 1 committee in House and
       1 in Senate
  - (4) IOB

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- VI. Enough safeguards
  - Risk in all of this:
    - (1) Timidity least common denominator
    - (2) Security leaks

But I believe in balance - next few years critical